

Cooking Gas Cylinder Subsidy Yojana | Rajasthan | 28 Dec 2023

Why in News?

Recently, Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajanlal Sharma announced that **Ujjwala gas cylinders will now be available at Rs 450** in the state from 1st January 2024.

Key Points

- The subsidy would be transferred into the account of the beneficiary women, who come under the <u>Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana</u> (PMUY) and those who hold the **Below Poverty Line** (BPL) card.
 - The scheme name is now changed from Indira Gandhi Cylinder Subsidy Scheme to Cooking Gas Cylinder Subsidy Yojana.
- The beneficiaries can avail the cheap cylinder by getting themselves registered at the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yojana.

Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY)

- The scheme was **launched on 1st May 2016** in Ballia, Uttar Pradesh by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- It was introduced by Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MOPNG), as a flagship scheme with an objective to make clean cooking fuel such as LPG available to the rural and deprived households which were otherwise using traditional cooking fuels such as firewood, coal, cow-dung cakes etc.
 - Usage of traditional cooking fuels had detrimental impacts on the health of rural women as well as on the environment.

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